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COAL MINING GOALS SET FOR SECOND HALF OF 1953;  
COAL PRODUCTION INCREASED 40 PERCENT IN NORTHEAST

The mechanization of mining processes in the Northeast state-operated mines has increased coal production by over 40 percent for the first half year of 1953 as compared to the same period of last year. The Soviet Donbass

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combines are being employed in the Shuang-ya, Chi-hsia, and Fou-hsin mines. By employing the Donbass combines, the Shuang-ya mine reached a record high production of 11,826 tons of coal for the month of May.

Pneumatic drills, electric shovels, and cutting machines are being employed extensively in the Hao-kang, Fou-hsin, Chi-hsia, Shuang-ya, Chiao-ho, Fu-shun, Hsia-an, and Ying-ch'eng mines. Labor efficiency in these mines increased by 56 percent for the first half of 1953 as compared to the same period of 1949.

COAL MINING CONTROL BUREAU HOLDS MEETING -- Tientsin, Ta Kung Pao, 5 Jul 53

The Coal Mining Control Bureau of the Ministry of Fuel Industry, Central People's Government, held its second ration-wide meeting from 22 - 29 June 1953. Among those attending the meeting were Ch'en Yü (陳郁), minister, and Hsu Ta-pen (徐達平), deputy minister, of the Ministry of Fuel Industry; and Sun Jan (孫然), director of the Coal Mining Control Bureau.

The purpose of the meeting was to bring together representatives of the 26 state-operated coal mining enterprises to strengthen their sense of responsibility for the planned administration of these mines. The problems of fulfilling production schedules, labor division, and capital construction were also discussed.

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